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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP: (FORD, GERALD R)

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT FORD'S FAR EAST TRIP

1. GOJ REQUIRES PASSING OF CUSTOMS ENTRIES ON WHITE HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, PRESIDENTIAL HELICOPTERS AND OFFICIAL VEHICLES. THIS REQUIREMENT IS PURELY A FORMALITY TO SATISFY JAPANESE LAW. THERE WILL BE NO PHYSICAL INSPECTION AND CLEARANCE WILL BE PERFORMED AT PLANESIDE BY A CUSTOMS OFFICIAL FROM THE TACHIKAWA CUSTOMS BRANCH, ADJACENT TO YOKOTA AFB.

2. FOR PURPOSE OF MEETING ABOVE REQUIREMENT AND TO AVOID ANY DELAY IN CLEARING SHIPMENTS UPON ARRIVAL YOKOTA AFB, EMBASSY MUST RECEIVE SOONEST:

A. GENERAL DESCRIPTION CARGO ABOARD EACH FLIGHT:
E.E. SO MANY CASES OF WHITE HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND TOTAL WEIGHT; SO MANY HELICOPTERS, MANUFACTURED BY, MODEL NUMBER, BELONGING TO U.S. ARMY; SO MANY OFFICIAL SEDANS, MAKE, MODEL, PRESIDENTIAL USE.

B. DATE AND TIME OF ARRIVAL OF EACH SHIPMENT AT YOKOTA AFB.

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3. DIRECTOR INSPECTION DIVISION CUSTOMS, MINISTRY OF

FINANCE,IN MEETING WITH EMBASSY OFFICER TODAY CONCERNING
ABOVE FORMALITIES, STATED THAT THE CUSTOMS OFFICER
ATTENDING ARRIVAL OF SUBJECT SHIPMENTS AND ALSO AIRCRAFT
TRANSPORTING WHITE HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS STAFF, MEMBERS
OF THE SECRET SERVICE, AND AIR CREW PERSONNEL WILL INQUIRE
OF THE CONTROL OFFICER ON THE AIRCRAFT IF ANY OF THE
DEBARKING PASSENGERS ARE CARRYING GUNS.
A NEGATIVE ANSWER, REPEAT NEGATIVE ANSWER, IS EXPECTED
TO THIS QUESTION.
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